Procedure for hiring of buses/cars in ITDC

2559. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI : Will the MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) what procedure is being followed about the empanelment of agencies/persons by ITDC Management for hiring of buses/cars to cater to the needs of the tourists in the country;

(b) whether ITDC employees or their relatives are also allowed, preferred and/or empanelled for carring out such business in ITDC, if so, the details thereof, unit-wise/station-wise;

(c) the names of agencies/individuals empanelled by ITDC Management on each unit with dates thereof;

(d) whether any procedure has been adopted to verify the financial/business capabilities of such empanelled agencies; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) The criteria for empanelment of persons/agencies is ownership of minimum two specified cars matching with ITDC standard of quality and service. The Committee duly constituted by the competent authority scrutinises the applications to ascertain the laid down criteria before empanelment.

(b) No ITDC employee is allowed/preferred to be empanelled for such business. However, there is no check in the procedure to ascertain relationship of the applicant to any employee.

(c) The requisite information is given in the *Annexure*. [*See* Appendix-172, **Annexure** no. 60].

(d) and (e) For empanelment of private transport operators/agencies, only the suitability of their vehicles is ascertained.

Manufacture of Aircrafts in the country

2560. SHRI K. M. KHAN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether under liberalised economic policy aircrafts are manufactured by certain private sector companies;

(b) if so, the names of such organizations State and Territory-wise;

(c) whether some Public Sector Organizations are already in the field of manufacture of aircrafts in the country;

(d) if so, the details of their locations, State and Territory-wise;

(e) whether the aircraft's manufactured by private companies are ensuring necessary standards; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the measures proposed to be taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) M/s. Taneja Aerospace and Aviation (P) Limited, Hosur, Tamilnadu, (ii) M/s. Raj Hamsa (P) Limited, Mysore, Karnataka and (iii) M/s. Pinaki (P) Limited, Hyderabad Andhra Pradesh.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) (i) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh and Bangalore, Karnataka. (ii) Bharat Heavy Electrical Limited, Ranipur, Uttar Pradesh.

(e) and (f) Yes, Sir. The firms are approved for manufacture of aircraft by Director General of Civil Aviation after ensuring compliance with requirements of design and manufacturing processes.

Setting up of accident investigation laboratories

2561. SHRI K. M. KHAN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether under the accident prevention programme, various measures have been taken :

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) whether such measures have yielded some fruitful results;

(d) if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether these safety measures also provide for setting up of some Accident Investigation Laboratories in the country; and

(f) if so, the names of places where these have been set up alongwith their functions specially to prevent air-accidents ?